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TAGS: EG, US, XF, RO  
SUBJ: ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETING - SEP 4

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1. AL FORNMINS ARE EXPECTED ISSUE JOING COMMUNIQUE TONIGHT,  
SEPT 5, CALLING FOR UN CONDEMNATION OF ISRAELI ACTIVITIES

IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. ACCORDING PRESS, COMMUNIQUE WILL LAY OUT ACTION PLAN FOR NEW YORK. PROGRAM, DRAFTED BY COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF EGYPT, SYRIA, IRAQ, LEBANON, TUNISIA, SAUDI ARABIA AND PLO, IS APPARENTLY WEAKER THAN EARLIER SYRIAN PROPOSAL TO SEEK "FREEZING" OF ISRAELI MEMBERSHIP IN UN AND ITS SPECIALIZED AGENCIES.

2. PRESS REPORTS AL COMMUNIQUE WILL CALL UPON INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO CEASE AID TO ISRAEL AND TO DESIST FROM ENCOURAGING ISRAELI IMMIGRATION. HEADLINES ALSO SUGGEST ARAB STATES WILL ATTEMPT LIMIT ISRAELI ACCESS TO NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY.

3. AL POLITICAL COMMITTEE ALSO AGREED RECONVENE FORNMINIS ON NOV 12 TO PREPARE FOR SUMMIT. AL SEC GEN MAHMOUD RIAD NOTED THSI WILL COME ON HEELS UNGA AND NEXT ROUND EUROPEAN-ARAB DIALOGUE.

4. FJIBOUTI AND COMOROS. AS EXPECTED, FORNMINIS VOTED ACCEPT DJIBOUTI AS LEAGUE'S 22ND MEMBER. POSTPONED DECISION ON COMORO ISLANDS. DJIBOUTI'S INITIAL ACTION ON ASSUMING MEMBERSHIP (AS WEALTHY ARABS HAD FEARED) WAS TO APPEAL FOR IMMEDIATE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO STAVE OFF CERTAIN ECONOMIC CATASTROPHE. APPLICATIONS OF NEW MEMBERS HAS LED TO TIGHTENING UP OF AL REGULATIONS. POLITICAL COMMITTEE ENDORSED SYRIAN PROPOSAL THAT ARABIC BE LEAGUE'S ONLY RECOGNIZED OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AND THAT NO MEMBER STATE MAY HAVE ANOTHER OFFICIAL WRITTEN CONFIDENTIAL

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LANGUAGE.

5. AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS COVERING MEETING TELL US MODERATES VERY MUCH IN CHARGE. SAUDI ARABIAN PRINCE SAUD TOLD THEM SESSIONS GEARED TO BEING CONSTRUCTIVE ON PEACE PROCESS. FATAH CAIRO OFFICE DIR RUBI AWAD SAID PLO SEEKING MEANS OF OPENING DIALOGUE WITH USG THROUGH CAREFUL DRAFTING OF COMPLEMENTARY UN RES TO BE INTRODUCED IN NEW YORK. PLO DOES NOT WANT TO RISK US VETO. CORRESPONDENTS SAY MODERATES HAVE CARRIED THE DAY BY ARGUING THAT US AND PRES CARTER MUST BE GIVEN "ONE LAST CHANCE" TO DELIVER ON PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT. IF THERE NO DISCERNABLE PROGRESS AFTER MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK, MODERATES WILL HAVE DIFFICULT RESTRAINING MORE RADICAL STATES AT NOV 12 FORNMINIS MEETING.

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